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SUBJECT: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PORTUGAL

REF: STATE 137598

1. PER INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL, ACTING ECOMIN CALLED ON
WATANABE (DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL FINANCE
BUREAU AT MINISTRY OF FINANCE) AND MURAOKA (DIRECTOR,
SECOND WEST EUROPE DIVISION, MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS)
TO URGE THAT THE GOVT OF JAPAN FULLY EXPLORE MEANS OF
PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVELY UNTIED CREDIT AS ITS CONTRIBUTION
TO THE INTERNATIONAL LENDING EFFORT FOR PORTUGAL AND TO
EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT THE JAPANESE WOULD ALSO CONSIDER
INCREASING THE AMOUNT OF THEIR PROPOSED CONTRIBUTION,
BACKGROUND PROVIDED IN REFTEL BROUGHT TO
THEIR ATTENTION.

2. GOJ OFFICIALS INDICATED THAT THEY WERE OF COURSE AWARE
THAT IT WAS LEGALLY POSSIBLE FOR THE JAPAN EXPORT-IMPORT
BANK TO EXTEND CREDITS NOT TIED TO JAPANESE EXPORTS
(ALTHOUGH THEY SEEMED LESS CERTAIN ABOUT THE GUARANTEE
AUTHORITY). THEY POINTED OUT THAT THEIR PROBLEM
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WAS NOT A LEGAL BUT A POLICY PROBLEM, AND SAID THAT
THEIR PRIMARY CONCERN WAS THAT TO LEND UNTIED TO PORTUGAL
WOULD RAISE DIFFICULT PROBLEMS IN THEIR RELATIONS WITH
LESS-DEVELOPED COUNTRIES BECAUSE OF THE PRECEDENT SET.

3. GOJ OFFICIALS SAID THAT IN ANY CASE THEY WOULD REVIEW
THE SITUATION AGAIN IN RESPONSE TO OUR APPROACH. ON THE

BASIS OF THIS REVIEW, THEY SAID THEY WOULD DECIDE THEIR ATTITUDE TOWARD THE JUNE 22 PARIS MEETING, INCLUDING WHETHER AND, IF SO, IN WHAT CAPACITY THEY WOULD ATTEND.

4. SINCE REFTTEL PARA 4 INDICATED THAT FLEXIBILITY CONTAINED THEREIN SHOULD ONLY BE RAISED IF IT WERE LEGALLY IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE GOJ TO PROVIDE AN UNTIED CREDIT OR GUARANTEE, ACTING ECMIN DID NOT REPEAT NOT RAISE OTHER POSSIBILITIES MENTIONED IN THAT PARA FOR ADAPTING JAPAN EXIM CREDITS TO MEET PORTUGAL'S NEAR-TERM NEEDS.

5. IT IS PERHAPS WORTH NOTING THAT GOJ OFFICIALS SEEMED PARTICULARLY IMPRESSED, OR SURPRISED, AT INDICATION THAT FRANCE WAS PREPARED TO MAKE A POSITIVE ANNOUNCEMENT AT JUNE 22 MEETING.

6. EMBASSY WILL SEEK AND REPORT RESULTS OF GOJ REVIEW PROMPTLY.
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